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SUBJ : IIE/ITT FELLOWSHIP

REF : A. TACKMAN NOV. 6 TELEGRAM (NOTAL)
B. LAGOS 10923 (NOTAL)

1. ATTEMPTED DELIVER YOUR NOV.6 TELEGRAM TO MCKINNEY'S BUT INFORMED BY HOUSEBOY AT UNILAG LAW LECTURER'S RESIDENCE THEY WERE LIVING THAT MCKINNEY'S LEFT BY TAXI WITH THEIR SUITCASES THIS MORNING, DESTINATION UNKNOWN. STILL ATTEMPTING LOCATE THEIR HOST TO DETERMINE MCKINNEY'S PLANS.

2. AT NOV. 5 RECEPTION, MCKINNEY'S EXPLAINED THEIR MANY ATTEMPTS FIND HOUSING EITHER LAGOS OR IBADAN (90 MILES AWAY). UNILAG LAW FACULTY AND UNIBADAN FRINDS, OFFICIALS ALSO ATTEMPTED ASSIST, BUT SUITABLE LODGINGS AT REASONABLE COSTS UNAVAILABLE. THOUGH WE UNABLE CERTIFY EXTEND OF ILLNESS, BOTH ADMITTED LOSING WEIGHT; MR. MCKINNEY HAD BEEN ADMITTED UNILAG HOSPITAL OVERNIGHT. POST BELIEVES THIS PLEASANT YOUNG COUPLE WANTED TO STAY AND EXPLORED MANY OPTIONS IN SEARCH OF SOLUTION TO UNILAG AND LAGOS HOUSING DILEMMA, NOT THE LEAST IN RESIDING WITH LAW FACULTY LECTURER WHERE THEY OBVIOUSLY NOT WELCOMED AND HAD TO TAKE TAXI'S TO FOURTH CLASS (OR LOWER) HOTEL SOME DISTANCE AWAY AT CONSIDERABLE
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INCONVENIENCE AND EXPENSE.

3. MCKINNEY'S ALSO ADVISED INFORM US THEIR ITINERARY PRIOR DEPARTURE AND CHECK IN WITH AMEMBASSIES DURING THEIR TOUR, BUT GIVEN ERRATIC LAGOS TELEPHONE SYSTEM, LIKELY THEY UNABLE REACH US BY PHONE AND UNIVERSITY IN FROM 1-3 HOURS AWAY, DEPENDENT ON EXTENT TRAFFIC CONGESTION.

4. FORWARDING TEXT YOUR TELEGRAM AMEMBASSIES, LOME, ACCRA IN CASE MCKINNEY'S HAVE DEPARTED NIGERIA.

5. WILL FORWARD ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ASAP.
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